

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF UTAH
CENTRAL DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Plaintiff,

vs.

Patrick Derk Christensen

Defendant(s).

Case No. 2:19cr171 RJS

**CONSENT TO ENTRY OF PLEA
OF GUILTY BEFORE THE
MAGISTRATE JUDGE AND
ORDER OF REFERENCE**

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(3), the defendant, Patrick Derk Christensen, after consultation and agreement with counsel, consents to United States Magistrate Judge Dustin B. Pead accepting defendant's plea of guilty and to the Magistrate Judge conducting proceedings pursuant to Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure. The defendant also acknowledges and understands that sentencing on his plea of guilty will be before the assigned District Judge after a pre-sentence investigation and report, and compliance with Fed.R.Crim.P. 32.

The United States, by and through the undersigned Assistant United States Attorney, consents to the Magistrate Judge conducting plea proceedings pursuant to Fed.R.Crim.P. 11, and accepting the defendant's plea of guilty as indicated above, pursuant to such proceedings.

DATED this 19th day of February, 2021.

/s/ Benjamin C. McMurray for Patrick Christensen
Defendant

/s/ Benjamin C. McMurray
Attorney for Defendant

/s/ Michael J. Thorpe
Assistant United States Attorney

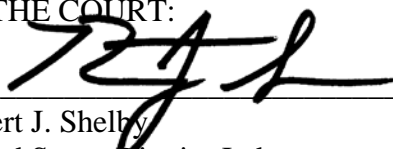
ORDER OF REFERENCE

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(3), and the consent of the parties above mentioned,
including the defendant,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that United States Magistrate Judge Jared B. Bennett shall
hear and conduct plea rendering under Fed.R.Crim.P. 11, and may accept the plea of guilty from
the defendant pursuant thereto after full compliance with Fed.R.Crim.P. 11.

Dated this 18th day of February, 2021.

BY THE COURT:



Robert J. Shelby
United States District Judge